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SUBJECT: GENERAL - Dr. Walter Vollbert alias Dr. Valter Florescu
SPECIFIC - Present Connection with Former RSHA Associates
Now in Soviet Service

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1. It has now transpired that Dr. Walter Vollbert is, in fact, in contact with his former superior in the RSHA, Kurt Auner, sometime SS-Untersturmfuehrer. The source of MAVA-942 has ascertained that Vollbert came to Linz from Rumania in the autumn of 1945, at which time he was travelling with a Rumanian passport in the name of Dr. Valter Florescu. It was during this period that he got in touch with Auner. Auner himself, in January 1948, toured the Volksdeutsch refugee camps in Linz and Salzburg, telling the camp inhabitants that the solution to their problems could be arrived at only with the aid of the Soviets.

2. Auner, who was interned in Camp Marcus W. Orr, Salzburg, came to Vienna after his release and re-established contact with former RSHA personalities known to him. Under Auner's leadership, these persons have formed a group which is believed by source to be operating as an espionage service on behalf of the RIS. We have some information on the men working with Auner and are attempting to secure further details, which will be processed when the picture is complete.

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